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# National Hay, Feed & Seed Weekly Summary

<u>CALIFORNIA HAY</u>: Tons FOB: 78,222; Last Week: 96,160; Last Year: 73,947; Tons Delivered: 39,300; Last Week: 59,535; Last Year: 25,125; Year to Date FOB: 643,306; Last Week: 565,084; Last Year: 495,803; YTD Del: 366,980; Last Week: 327,680; Last Year: 267,721.

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Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 16,384; Tons Delivered: 9,850; Premium and Supreme Alfalfa near steady. Demand moderate to good and supply moderate to heavy. Fair and Good Alfalfa not well tested. Demand moderate and supply light. Retail and stable hay steady. Demand good and supply moderate. Most producers finishing up first cutting and some have started on second cutting. Some areas having problems with aphids.

TYPE, QUALITY	TON	RANGE	AVG			
SACRAM	IENTO VALI	EY – FOB PRICES	3			
Alfalfa Domestic Catt	le					
Supreme	3,250	210.00-225.00	214.00			
Premium	612	200.00-210.00	204.28			
Good	275	185.00-190.00	188.64			
Alfalfa Retail/light<11	0 lb bales					
Premium	350	210.00-220.00	214.29			
Beardless Wheat Dor	nestic Cattle	9				
Good	187	160.00-175.00	172.99			
Forage Mix Domestic	Cattle	_				
Good	450	155.00	155.00			
Forage Mix Retail/ligi	ht<110 lb ba	les				
Premium	375	200.00-230.00	210.00			
Good/Premium	25	180.00	180.00			
Forage-Three Way Mix Domestic Cattle						
Good	270	175.00	175.00			
Forage-Three Way M	Forage-Three Way Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales					
Premium	285	180.00	180.00			
Meadow Grass Dome	estic Cattle					
Utility	100	125.00	125.00			
Oat Domestic Cattle						
Good	250	200.00	200.00			
Oat Retail/light<110 I	b bales					
Premium	600	170.00-210.00	186.67			
Oat Stable/heavy>11	5 lb bales					
Premium	175	170.00	170.00			
Orchard Retail/light<	110 lb bales					
Premium	200	225.00-230.00	227.50			
Good/Premium	75	220.00	220.00			
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix R	Retail/light<1	10 lb bales				
Premium	100	225.00	225.00			
Rice Straw Erosion c	ontrol Smal	l square, per bale				
Good	200	2.50	2.50			
Wheat Straw Retail/li	ght<110 lb b	ales Small square	, per bale			
Premium	375	4.00	4.00			

# NORTHERN - INTERMOUNTAIN AREAS - FOB PRICES

No New Sales Confirmed.

TYPE, QUALITY	TON RANGE		AVG			
TRACY-PATTERSON-STOCKTON - FOB PRICES						
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle						
Supreme	1,750	225.00-240.00	232.71			
Premium	935	220.00-235.00	223.13			
Good	200	205.00	205.00			
Beardless Wheat Don	nestic Cattle					
Good	1,050	170.00-180.00	170.48			
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	25	250.00	250.00			
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Alfalfa Domestic Cattle						
<b>Supreme</b> 100 245.00 245.00						
Premium	Premium         400         235.00-240.00         236.25					
Forage Mix Domes	Forage Mix Domestic Cattle					
Good	450	190.00	190.00			
Oat Stable/heavy>115 lb bales						
Premium	175	205.00	205.00			

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Alfalfa Domestic Cattle						
Supreme	3,675	245.00-270.00	260.44			
Premium	300	257.00	257.00			
Alfalfa Retail/light<110	Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales					
Premium	100	225.00	225.00			
Beardless Wheat Domestic Cattle						
Good	1,750	192.00-198.00	193.57			
Forage-Three Way Mix	C Domestic C	attle				
Good	500	193.00	193.00			
Oat Domestic Cattle						
Good	1,025	190.00-210.00	199.61			
Fair	<b>Fair</b> 75 183.00 183.00					
Oat Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	500	200.00-215.00	203.75			

NORTHERN CA Other hay: 5,070 Tons: Escalon - Modesto - Turlock: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa weedy 125 tons 140.00 del. Domestic Cattle Premium Alfalfa weedy 100 tons 223.00 del. Domestic Cattle Supreme Alfalfa high moisture 200 tons 130.00 del. Domestic Cattle Supreme Alfalfa trashy 50 tons 253.00 del. Domestic Cattle Utility Alfalfa weedy 325 tons 168.00-173.00 del. Sacramento Valley: Domestic Cattle Good/Premium Alfalfa contracted 2,500 tons 195.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Supreme Alfalfa weedy 600 tons 200.00 FOB. Tracy-Patterson-Stockton: Domestic Cattle Premium Alfalfa weedy 600 tons 180.00-205.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Supreme Alfalfa weedy 420 tons 235.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Utility Alfalfa weedy 150 tons 150.00 FOB.

#### **CENTRAL CALIFORNIA HAY**

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 33,648; Tons Delivered: 21,600; Premium and Supreme Alfalfa trend was mixed, some steady to firm and other instances steady to weak. Demand moderate to good and supply moderate. Fair and Good Alfalfa not well tested. Demand moderate and supply light. Retail and stable hay not well tested. Demand good and supply light. Producers in between first and second cutting, some second cutting still testing high. A lot of forage type hay went into the bale this week and more of the same will happen next week. Some dairies still resisting current price levels and others realize the tightness of hay supplies and are continuing to buy. Some areas having problems with aphids and some producers have noticed worms on their cotton plants.

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TYPE, QUALITY	TON	RANGE	AVG			
KERI	N COUNTY	- FOB PRICES				
Alfalfa Domestic Catt	le					
Supreme	3,525	235.00-243.00	240.78			
Premium	3,430	225.00-235.00	232.02			
Good	1,100	225.00-230.00	227.50			
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>	115 lb bale	s				
Premium	25	245.00	245.00			
Forage-Three Way Mi	ix Domestic	Cattle				
Good	1,000	170.00	170.00			
Oat Domestic Cattle		,				
Premium	100	200.00	200.00			
Good	1,000	170.00-180.00	173.40			
Fair	100	150.00	150.00			
Oat Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	100	200.00	200.00			
Wheat Straw Domestic Cattle						
Good	2,000	90.00	90.00			
TULARE-VISALIA-H	IANFORD-E	BAKERSFIELD - DE	L. PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Catt	le					
Supreme	12,600	255.00-276.00	265.21			
Premium	3,400	250.00-264.00	255.54			
Good	1,600	235.00-250.00	244.38			
Fair	75	240.00	240.00			
Beardless Wheat Dor	nestic Catt	le	<u> </u>			
Good	225	210.00	210.00			
Oat Domestic Cattle						
Good	975	197.00-210.00	207.44			
Wheat Straw Domest	ic Cattle	•	•			
Good	2,000	115.00-120.00	117.50			
SOUTH-CENTR	RAL COAST	TAL AREA- DEL. PI	RICES			
Alfalfa Retail/light<11	0 lb bales					
Premium	300	250.00-285.00	270.42			

SOUTH-CENTRAL COASTAL AREA- DEL. PRICES						
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	300	250.00-285.00	270.42			
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>115 lb bales						
Premium	75	270.00-275.00	271.67			
Bermuda Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	25	240.00	240.00			
Forage Mix Retail/lig	ht<110 lb ba	les				
Premium	250	250.00-290.00	274.00			
Orchard Retail/light<	110 lb bales					
Premium	25	315.00	315.00			
<b>Good/Premium</b> 25 250.00 250.00						
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	25	310.00	310.00			

TYPE, QUALITY	TON	RANGE	AVG				
HANFORD-CORCORAN-TULARE-VISALIA- FOB PRICES							
Alfalfa Domestic Cat	Alfalfa Domestic Cattle						
Supreme	4,480	244.00-260.00	251.61				
Premium	1,150	237.00-246.00	242.83				
Oat Domestic Cattle							
Good	I 100	185.00	185.00				

WESTERN FRESNO-MADERA-FIREBAUGH - FOB PRICES							
Alfalfa Domestic	Alfalfa Domestic Cattle						
Supreme	1,575	240.00-246.00	242.59				
Premium	850	230.00-240.00	234.12				
Good	1,600	210.00-230.00	222.50				
Beardless Whea	Beardless Wheat Domestic Cattle						
Good	<b>Good</b> 427 165.00-180.00 172.90						
Oat Domestic Cattle							
Good	275	180.00	180.00				

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Alfalfa Domoctic Catt	ما					
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle						
Supreme	3,135	240.00-250.00	248.09			
Premium	1,150	230.00-240.00	234.96			
Beardless Wheat Don	nestic Cattle					
Good	700	175.00-180.00	177.50			
Beardless Wheat Reta	ail/light<110	lb bales				
Premium	100	195.00	195.00			
Forage-Three Way Mi	x Domestic (	Cattle				
Good	500	175.00	175.00			
Oat Domestic Cattle						
Good	1,620	175.00-180.00	177.38			
Fair	75	165.00	165.00			
Oat Retail/light<110 II	bales					
Premium	350	170.00	170.00			
Orchard Retail/light<1	110 lb bales					
Premium	200	240.00	240.00			
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Domestic Cattle						
Fair	25	140.00	140.00			
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	125	220.00	220.00			

CENTRAL CA other hay: 2,830 Tons: Hanford-Corcoran-Tulare-Visalia: Domestic Cattle Good Alfalfa Standing green chop 46.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Good Wheat Standing green chop 42.00-43.00, mostly 42.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Fair Wheat Standing green chop 40.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Premium/Supreme Alfalfa contracted 2,400 tons 240.00 FOB. Los Banos-Dos Palos-Merced: Domestic Cattle Supreme Alfalfa trashy 50 tons 235.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Utility Alfalfa weedy 175 tons 155.00 FOB.

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HAY**

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 28,190; Tons Delivered: 7,850; Premium and Supreme Alfalfa steady. Demand moderate and supply light to moderate. Fair and Good Alfalfa not well tested. Demand light to moderate and supply light. Retail and Stable hay steady to firm. Demand good and supply moderate. Producers have finished second cutting and getting ready to start third cutting. Quite a few producers have moved in bee boxes to start making seed on their third rotation. Seeing producers start to put hay in the barn for retail use. Antelope Valley producers starting to make more of their forage mix hay. Weather remains unseasonably cool.

# Southern CA continued from page 2:

TYPE, QUALITY	TON		RANGE		AVG		
IMPER	AL VALL	EY –	FOB PRICES	;			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattl	е						
Supreme	2,446	20	0.00-215.00		205.45		
Supreme-to-Store	9,544	21	5.00-230.00		219.32		
Premium	475		200.00		200.00		
Premium-To-Store	2,500		200.00		200.00		
Alfalfa Retail/light<11	Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premium	1,225	21	0.00-225.00		219.59		
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>1	115 lb bal	les					
Premium	150	20	5.00-210.00		207.00		
Good/Premium	125		195.00		195.00		
Bermuda Domestic Ca	attle			•			
Good	50		135.00		135.00		
Bermuda Retail/light<	110 lb ba	les					
Premium	125	_	0.00-190.00		182.00		
Bermuda Stable/heav		bales					
Premium	25		170.00		170.00		
Klein Grass Export		ı		1			
Good/Premium	1,550		150.00		150.00		
Wheat Straw Domesti		l		1			
Good 500 40.00 40.00  Wheat Straw Domestic Cattle Small square, per bale							
		smaii 		Dale	2.00		
Good	100		2.00		2.00		
BLYTH	IE-PARK	ER - I	FOB PRICES				
Alfalfa Domestic Cattl			+		*		
Supreme	_		210.00-215	.00	213.33		
Supreme-To-Store	_		220.00		220.00		
Premium			200.00-208	.00	205.00		
Alfalfa Retail/light<11	) lb bales	6	1		1		
Premiun		0	210.00-215		210.77		
Good/Premiun			208.00-210	.00	209.00		
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>1					T		
Premiun			200.00-208	.00	205.20		
Forage Mix Retail/ligh	1		1		000.00		
Premiun			220.00		220.00		
Forage Mix-Two Way	<del></del>		1		220.00		
Premium         25         220.00         220.00							
ANTELOPE VALLEY-MOJAVE DESERT- FOB PRICES							
Alfalfa Domestic Cattl	е						
Supreme	1,800		230.00-240.0	00	238.33		
Alfalfa Retail/light<11	) lb bales	\$		-			
Premium	300		229.00-240.0	00	236.33		
Forage Four-Way Mix	Retail/lig	ht<1		-			
Premium	150		239.00-260.0	00	256.50		

Forage Three-Way Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales

150

125

220.00-229.00

200.00-220.00

223.00

216.00

**Premium** 

Good/Premium

TYPE,	TON		RANGE	AVG		
CHINO VALLEY-LOS ANGELES - DELIVERED PRICES						
Alfalfa Domestic	Cattle					
Supre	me 4,	550	240.00-260.00	255.71		
Premi	um 1,2	200	240.00	240.00		
Go	od 2	25	235.00	235.00		
Alfalfa Retail/ligh	t<110 lb k	oales				
Premi	um 1,	100	239.00-260.00	250.59		
Alfalfa Stable/hea	avy>115 II	b bales	<u> </u>			
Premiu	um 1:	25	240.00	240.00		
Good/Premit	um 3	00	230.00-250.00	231.67		
Bermuda Domestic Cattle						
Go	od 5	50	170.00	170.00		
Bermuda Retail/li	ight<110 l	b bale	5	•		
Premi	um 1	00	220.00-230.00	225.00		
Forage Mix Reta	il/light<11	0 lb ba	les			
Premi	<b>um</b> 2	00	239.00-260.00	248.38		
Orchard Retail/lig	ght<110 lk	bales				
Premi	um 5	50	250.00	250.00		
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premiu	Premium         50         240.00         240.00					
Timothy Retail/light<110 lb bales						
Premi	um 1	00	340.00	340.00		
Southern CA. O	ther hay:	500 7	ons: Blythe - Pa	rker: Domestic		

Cattle Premium Alfalfa grassy 250 tons 197.00 FOB. Imperial Valley: Domestic Cattle Fair Sudan last year's production 250 tons 100.00

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# Crop Production Report Excerpts 05-09-08

Winter Wheat Production Up 17 Percent from 2007 All Orange Production Unchanged From April

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.78 billion bushels, up 17 percent from 2007. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 40.2 million

acres, up 12 percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 44.3 bushels per acre, up 2.1 bushels from the previous year. Hard Red production is up 5 percent from a year ago to 1.01 billion bushels. Soft Red production is up 54 percent and totals 551 million bushels. White production totals 215 million bushels, up 10 percent from a year ago. Of the White production total, 23.2 million bushels are Hard White and 192 million bushels are Soft White. The U.S. all orange forecast for the 2007-08 season is 10.1 million tons, unchanged from the April 1 forecast but 33 percent higher than the 2006-07 final utilization of 7.63 million tons. Florida's all orange forecast, at 169 million boxes (7.58 million tons), is unchanged from the previous forecast but 31 percent higher than last season's final utilization of 129 million boxes. Early, midseason, and navel varieties in Florida are forecast at 83.5 million boxes (3.76 million tons), unchanged from the April 1 forecast but 27 percent above last season. Florida's Valencia forecast, at 85.0 million boxes (3.83 million tons), is unchanged from the last forecast but 34 percent higher than 2006-07. The monthly row count survey indicated that about 50 percent of the Valencia orange rows had been harvested. If the production forecast for all oranges is achieved, it will be the highest since 2003-04, prior to the two hurricane seasons. Arizona, California, and Texas orange production forecasts are carried forward from April 1. For the complete report, go to:

http://www.usda.gov/nass/PUBS/TODAYRPT/crop0508.txt National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Agricultural Statistics Board, USDA (202) 720-2127

**OREGON HAY** – 5/09/08 Tons FOB: 374; Last Week: 664; Last Year: 390; Year to Date FOB: 26,841; Last Week: 26,498; Last Year: 25,192.

TYPE, QUALITY TON RANGE AVG

CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO CO OREGON

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 30; All classes of Alfalfa not tested. Grass hay steady on a thin test. Buyer demand good for all classes with light supplies.

Orchard Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8				
Premium	30	180.00	180.00	

Other hay: None.

#### **EASTERN OREGON**

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 90; Alfalfa not recently tested, however a firm undertone was noted. Demand good on current light supplies with only about two more weeks until new crop will begin to be harvested.

# Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 Supreme 30 215.00 215.00 Premium 30 185.00 185.00

30

Other hay: None.

Good

#### **KLAMATH BASIN OREGON**

165.00

165.00

No confirmed sales this week. Buyer demand good on light supplies.

#### **LAKE COUNTY OREGON**

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 163; All classes of Alfalfa sold steady. Oat hay not recently tested, however a firm undertone was noted. Buyer demand good for all classes on light supplies.

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Alfalfa Domestic Cattle 2-3 tie small sq bales					
Premium	32	165.00	165.00		
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8					
Supreme	61	185.00	185.00		
Premium	70	165.00	165.00		
Oat Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8					
Good	31	125.00	125.00		

Other hay: None.

#### **HARNEY CO OREGON**

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 60; Premium Alfalfa sold with a steady undertone noted. Buyer demand good and supplies light.

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Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8				
Premium	60	160.00	160.00	
Other hay: None				

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# Afternoon National Slaughter Cattle Review 05/08/08

Trading and demand was light in Nebraska and Iowa/Minnesota with light to moderate demand. Compared to Wednesday, dressed sales sold steady from 147.00-149.00. Trading remains mostly inactive in all other feeding regions. Negotiated sales:

Confirmed: 22,509 Week ago: 7,774 Year ago: 96,260 Week to Date: 50,604 Week ago: 12,679 Year ago: 135,914

Negotiated: prices paid for Domestic Slaughter steers and heifers: (Information derived from the 5 area weighted average LM\_CT100)

Live basis	Steers		Heifers	
Over 80% Choice	92.00-92.00	avg 92.00	93.00-93.00	avg 93.00
65 - 80% Choice	92.00-93.50	avg 92.33	92.00-93.50	avg 92.71
35 - 65% Choice	93.50-93.50	avg 93.50	92.00-92.50	avg 92.25
Total all grades	92.00-93.50	avg 92.70	92.00-93.50	avg 92.55

 Dressed basis
 Steers
 Heifers

 Over 80% Ch
 148.00-148.00 avg 148.00
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65 - 80% Ch 147.00-149.00 avg 148.15 147.00-149.00 avg 147.99 35 - 65% Ch 146.00-149.00 avg 147.76 147.00-149.00 avg 147.86 0 - 35% Ch 146.00-146.00 avg 146.00 --- ---

Total all grade 146.00-149.00 avg 147.85 147.00-149.00 avg 147.91 http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/lm\_ct131.txt

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<u>IDAHO HAY</u> — 05/09/08 Tons FOB: 4,985; Last Week: 170; Last Year: 2,210; Year to Date FOB: 33,787; Last Week: 28,802; Last Year: 60,645. Not enough new sales of any quality of hay for accurate trend comparison. Demand good and supplies very limited. No confirmed sales of Retail/feed store/horse hay this week. Weather remaining fairly cool for this time of the year, making growth of hay two to three weeks behind. Some areas getting very dry, as haven't received normal spring rains.

Quality Tons		Price Range	Avg. Price		
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8					
Good/Premium	60	150.00-160.00	151.67		

Other hay: 4,925 Tons: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa heavy weeds/grass and/or rain damage 325 tons 150.00-160.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Premium/Supreme Alfalfa contracted 300 tons 1.00 for each tick on the RFV scale above RFV 170 FOB. Domestic Cattle Good/Premium Alfalfa contracted 4,000 tons 122.50 FOB. Domestic Cattle Fair/Good Alfalfa contracted 300 tons 150.00 FOB.

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WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY - (Columbia Basin) 05/09/08 Tons FOB: 15,420; Last Week: 505; Last Year: 930; Year to Date FOB: 46.120: Last Week: 30.700: Last Year: 74.494. Not enough new sales, in recent weeks, of any quality of Dairy hay for accurate trend comparison. Demand good and supplies very light to nonexistent. Export hay not tested. Demand good and supplies limited as no new crop available yet. Retail/feed store/horse hay steady to firm in limited test. Demand good and supplies very light. Some producers in the southern Basin area will start cutting late this week and on into next week, balance of producers will start, weather permitting, in two weeks. North part of the Basin are 2-3 weeks out before new crop starts getting laid down. Most of trade picked up this week is on previously contracted hay. Lots of excitement from producers on potential hay prices this year, of course expenses are higher too. Some dairies are being aggressive in trying to obtain supplies of hay, as some have limited amounts of inventory.

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Quality	Tons	Price Range	Avg. Price			
Alfalfa Retail/feed	Alfalfa Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales					
Premium	175	180.00-190.00	182.86			
Forage Mix Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales						
Good/Premium	50	180.00	180.00			
Orchard Retail/fee	ed store/h	orse 2-3 tie smal	l sq bales			
Premium	175	200.00	200.00			
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie sm sq bales						
Premium	225	200.00-220.00	211.11			
Good/Premium	125	180.00	180.00			

Other hay: 14,670 Tons: Domestic Cattle, Good/Premium Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 contracted 5,670 tons 190.00-220.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle, Good Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 contracted 1,000 tons 170.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle, all three cuttings, all qualities, Alfalfa Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 contracted 8,000 tons 145.00-150.00 FOB.

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MONTANA – 05/09/08 Sales remain firm. Demand very good for hay. Seasonal temps with scattered rains across the state this week. All sales FOB the stack and per ton basis in large rounds or large square bales, unless otherwise stated. Alfalfa: Good to Premium small squares 130.00-160.00. Good 95.00-120.00, Eastern MT 90.00-100.00, small squares 100.00-120.00. Grass/Alfalfa mix Good 115.00. Timothy: Premium pure Timothy small squares 120.00-150.00. Straw: Large squares 35.00-45.00. Small squares 60.00-80.00. USDA Market News Service, Billings MT 406-657-6285 www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/BL GR310.txt

**NEVADA HAY** - 05/09/08 Tons FOB: 4,610; Last Week: 575: Last Year: 1.925: Tons Delivered: 2.000: Last Week: None; Last Year: None; Year to Date FOB: 110,355; Last Week: 105,745; Last Year: 70,338; YTD Delivered: 9,900; Last Week: 7,900; Last Year: None. Not enough of any quality of dairy hay for accurate trend comparison, undertone steady to firm. Demand good and supply very limited, still waiting for new crop. Retail and stable hay steady in limited test. Demand good and supply light. New crop still 2-3 weeks hehind due to continued cool/cold temperatures

behind due to continued cool/cold temperatures.					
Quality	Ton	Price Range	Avg. Price		
CENTRAL	EAST C	ENTRAL FOB PRIC	ES		
Alfalfa Domestic Ca	attle				
Good/Premium	2,000	185.00	185.00		
Alfalfa Retail/light<	110 lb ba	ales			
Good/Premium	200	180.00	180.00		
Orchard Retail/light	t<110 lb	bales			
Premium	50	190.00	190.00		
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix	Retail/li	ght<110 lb bales			
Premium	50	180.00	180.00		
Timothy Retail/light<110 lb bales					
Premium	100	280.00	280.00		
WEST	ERN DE	LIVERED PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle					
Good/Premium	2,000	205.00	205.00		
W	ESTERN	FOB PRICES			
Alfalfa (Organic) Do	mestic (	Cattle			
Premium	100	230.00	230.00		
Fair	100	200.00	200.00		
Alfalfa Domestic Ca	attle				
Good/Premium	60	185.00	185.00		
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales					
Good/Premium	100	200.00	200.00		
NORTHERN FOB PRICES					
No New Sales Confirmed.					
Other hay: 1,850 Tons: Western: Dom Cattle Good/Premium					

Alfalfa contracted 1,800 tons 200.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Premium Alfalfa rain damage 50 tons 170.00 FOB

USDA Market News, Moses Lake, WA 509-765-3611

# Dairy Products Prices Highlights 05/09/08



Cheddar Cheese prices received for US 40 pound Blocks averaged \$1.90 per pound for the week ending May 3. The price per pound increased 5.0 cents from the previous week. The price for US 500 pound Barrels adjusted

to 38 percent moisture averaged \$1.86 per pound, up 6.1 cents from the previous week. Butter prices received for 25 kilogram and 68 pound boxes meeting USDA Grade AA standards averaged \$1.37 per pound for the week ending May 3. The U.S. price per pound increased 0.2 cents from the previous week. Nonfat Dry Milk prices received for bag, tote and tanker sales meeting USDA Extra Grade or USPH Grade A standards averaged \$1.28 per pound for the week ending May 3. The U.S. price per pound increased 1.4 cents from the previous week. Dry Whey prices received for bag, tote and tanker sales meeting USDA Extra Grade standards averaged 26.6 cents per pound for the week ending May 3. The U.S. price per pound increased 0.5 cents from the previous week.

National Agricultural Statistics (NASS), Agricultural Statistics Board, USDA. 202-690-2168 www.nass.usda.gov

#### FLUID MILK & CREAM REVIEW - WEST

http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/md\_da240.txt USDA Market News Madison, WI 608.250.3206

OKLAHOMA HAY - 05/08/08 ALFALFA HAY: Alfalfa hay prices are steady and movement is slow. New crop prices have not been established. Thunderstorms have moved across the state Monday through midweek. Many areas received in excess of one inch or more rainfall. Alfalfa hay cutting has been slowed by the rains. The cooler temperatures and rain has been very beneficial to the state's wheat crop. GRASS HAY: Grass hay movement is slow and prices steady. Grass growth has been slowed due to cooler temperatures, but have benefitted from the moisture. Producers looking for hay to purchase or have hay to sell can access the new hay directory on the OK Dept. of Ag. website at www.oda.state.ok.us or call the OK Dept. of Ag. Hay Hotline at 1-800-580-6543. ALFALFA CENTRAL AND WESTERN OK: Premium quality large squares 130.00-150.00 per ton. Small squares 140.00-160.00 per ton. Good quality large squares 100.00-120.00, small squares 110.00-130.00/ton. Good large rounds 90.00-110.00. Fair quality large squares 70.00-90.00 per ton. Fair large rounds 65.00-85.00 a ton. WHEAT HAY: CENTRAL AND WESTERN OK: Wheat hay in large round bales 70.00-80.00 a ton. PANHANDLE AND WESTERN FEEDLOT AREA: Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field or bale pile (spot) 80.00-100.00 a ton. Chopped and delivered to feedlots (short haul) 105.00-125.00 per ton. GRASS HAY: CENTRAL AND EASTERN OK: Premium quality large squares 60.00-80.00 ton, small squares 70.00-90.00 per ton. Good quality small squares 60.00-80.00 per ton. Premium quality large rounds 60.00-80.00. Good quality large rounds 50.00-70.00 per ton. Fair quality 40.00-60.00/ton. OK AG-USDA Market News, Oklahoma City, OK (405) 521 3881 http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/OK\_GR310.txt

MISSOURI HAY - 5/08/2008 Not much activity in the hay fields yet as rain and wet weather conditions have kept producers from even thinking about the first cutting of alfalfa. Every time there are a couple of days suitable for field work we have another storm move through. Most grain producers more concerned about getting corn planted than hay production. Grass needing some seriously warm weather to continue growing, as some areas report cattle keeping up with available pastures. This causes concern as to how much surplus grass will be available for hay, as we already know that we have lost acres to either corn or soybeans this year. Hay prices are steady; the supply and demand is moderate. The MO Dept. of Ag. has a hay hotline available at 1-800-877-4429 or visit http://www.mda.mo.gov/pdf/MOHayDirectory.pdf (All prices f.o.b. and per ton unless specified and on most recent reported sales prices listed as round bales based generally on 5x6 bales with weights of approximately 1200-1500 lbs). Supreme quality Alfalfa (RFV>185) 160.00-190.00. Premium quality Alfalfa (RFV170-180) 140.00-175.00. Fair to Good quality Alfalfa (RFV130-170) large round bales 80.00-140.00, Small, big squares 90.00-160.00. Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 3.50-6.50 per bale, 40.00-75.00 per large round bale. Good to Premium quality Prairie hay mostly small squares 80.00-125.00. Fair to good quality Prairie hay mostly large round bales 40.00-75.00. Good to Premium quality Brome large squares 80.00-130.00. Good quality Brome 60.00-120.00. Fair quality Brome some mixed with grass 30.00-50.00 per large round bale. Good quality Timothy Hay 3.00-4.50 per small square bale. Good quality Mixed Grass hay 60.00-100.00. Fair to Good quality Mixed Grass hay 30.00-50.00 per large round bale. Fair to Good quality bluestem 40.00 per large round bale. Fair to Good quality Bermuda grass 50.00-65.00 per large round bale, 70.00-80.00 per ton. Wheat hay 50.00-70.00. Wheat straw 2.00-3.50 per small square bale. USDA Market News, Jefferson City, MO 573-751-5618

# USDA EST. BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES 05/08/08

Based on negotiated prices and volume of boxed beef cuts delivered in 0-21 days and on average industry cutting yields. Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds. Boxed beef cutout values were steady to weak on light to moderate demand and moderate offerings. Select and Choice rib, chuck and round cuts were generally steady while loins were weak to lower. Beef trimmings were higher on light demand and offerings.

600-900 lbs. CHOICE **SELECT** Current Cutout Values: 155.18 152.10 Change from prior day: 0.18 (0.69)Choice/Select spread: 3.08

> http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/lm\_xb403.txt USDA Market News Service, Des Moines, IA 515-284-4460

TEXAS HAY - 05/09/08 Hay prices remain steady on old crop. Demand and movement moderate. Many new crop prices are still not established, with prices competing with the ever rising costs of fuel and fertilizer. For those who are still a couple weeks away from cutting, they are not sure where fuel prices are going to be at, therefore they're not wanting to price their hay too soon. Areas in Central and South Texas have been experiencing colder nights which has delayed growth and first cutting will have to be pushed back. Some areas have received rain, which has helped alleviate the drought situations for the time being. Other areas remain dry and windy, and have experienced wildfires or have burn bans in effect. Some supplemental feeding continues. The TX Dept. of Ag. has the Hay and Grazing Hot Line at 1-877-429-1998. The web site for TDA is www.tda.state.tx.us. Prices for hay and pellets quoted per ton except where noted. Panhandle: Alfalfa: Small Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality 230.00-250.00; Good to Premium quality 200.00-230.00, 6.00-7.00 per bale. Large Squares: Delivered: Supreme quality 200.00-240.00; Premium to Supreme quality 180.00-200.00; Good to Premium quality 140.00-180.00; Fair to Good quality 120.00-135.00; Fair quality 110.00-120.00. Chopped Alfalfa: Delivered to feedlots: North: 140.00-145.00. South: 145.00-150.00; baby calf grinding hay 195.00-220.00. Coastal Bermuda: Small squares: Delivered: 7.25 per bale. Large rounds: Delivered: 110.00-125.00; 70.00-80.00 per roll. Prairie Hay: Small squares: Delivered: 185.00. Large squares: Delivered: 155.00-160.00. West: Alfalfa: Small Squares: FOB: Premium to Supreme quality 200.00-235.00, instances up to 280.00 on new crop, 7.00-8.50 per bale; Good to Premium quality 165.00-190.00. Large Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality old crop 180.00-200.00, new crop 210.00-250.00; Good to Premium quality 150.00-180.00. FOB: Premium to Supreme quality 175.00-195.00; Good quality 150.00-175.00. North, Central and East: Alfalfa: Small Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality new crop 200.00-265.00, old crop 7.00-10.00 per bale; Good to Premium quality 6.00-7.00 per bale. FOB: Good to Premium quality 5.00-7.00 per bale in the barn. Large Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality new and old crop 200.00-250.00; Good to Premium quality 150.00-200.00. Coastal Bermuda: Small Squares: FOB: Premium quality 6.00-7.00 per bale; Fair to Good quality 3.00-5.00 per bale. Large rounds: FOB: Premium quality 60.00-70.00 per roll; Good quality 40.00-50.00; Fair quality 30.00-35.00 per roll. South: Coastal Bermuda: Small squares: FOB or delivered locally: Premium quality 7.50-8.50 per bale; Good quality 4.00-7.00/bale. Large rounds: FOB: Premium quality 60.00-70.00/roll; Good quality 40.00-45.00; Poor quality 30.00-35.00/roll. USDA Market News Amarillo, TX 806/372-6361 http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/AM GR310.txt

MINNESOTA HAY - Pipestone Hay and Straw Auction, Pipestone, MN - May 6, 2008 All prices per ton, except straw, per bale. Receipts: 46 Loads; Week Ago: 58 Loads; Year Ago: 44 Loads. One load Small Squares is approximately 5 tons; Large Squares and Large Rounds range 10-25 tons per load. All classes steady to firm. Good demand. Alfalfa: Small Squares, 1 load: Supreme 157.50. Large Rounds, 10 loads: Supreme 152.50-165.00, 2 loads 182.50-202.50; Premium 135.00-145.00, Good 112.50. Mixed Alfalfa/Grass: Large Squares, 1 load: Premium 152.50. Large Rounds, 5 loads: Premium 140.00-157.50. Grass: Small Squares, 4 loads: Premium 152.50-155.00, Good 102.50. Large Rounds, 22 loads: Premium 130.00-152.50, Good 100.00-122.50. Bedding: Small Squares, 1 load: 2.50/bale. Large Rounds, 1 load: 37.00/bale. USDA-SD Market News Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061

KANSAS HAY – 05/09/08 Ground alfalfa movement: Southwest/South Central Tonnage: 13,163/4,388; Last week: 13,593/4,073; Last year: 11,243/3,094. Hay trade slow. Demand moderate to strong for grinding alfalfa, alfalfa pellets and dairy alfalfa, moderate for prairie hay and stock cow quality hay. Thunderstorms this week have brought beneficial rain to much of Western Kansas missing the Northwest area, some areas also received high wind and damaging hail. Alfalfa that has been hailed earlier is extremely slow recovering. Swathing of alfalfa has started, yields are light quality is good, much of it has been rained on in the windrow. Many producers hope to start cutting between May 15 and 20. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the service of the Hay and Pasture Exchange www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm Southwest Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement moderate to active. Alfalfa: Horse, small square, old crop 180.00; Dairy, Supreme 160.00-175.00; Premium 150.00-170.00; Good, 120.00-150.00; new crop Dairy contracted 95.00-112.00 standing in the field. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 105.00-115.00, a little new crop contracted 110.00-120.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 125.00-135.00, new crop contracted 140.00-145.00 clock (12 month contracts). The week of 4/28-5/3, 13,163T of grinding alfalfa and 1,700T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. The average paid by feedlots on May 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 123.53, up 2.48 from last month, usage was 1,119T/day, down 1%, total usage was 33,560T. South Central Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady alfalfa pellets steady to 3.00 higher. Movement moderate to active. Alfalfa: Horse, scarce, small square 200.00-210.00, mid or large square 175.00-185.00; Dairy, Supreme 145.00-165.00; Premium 130.00-158.00, some old crop 93 cents/point RFV; Good, 100.00-130.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 70.00-85.00, 85.00-95.00 delivered, Utility 65.00-70.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 105.00-120.00. The week of 4/28-5/3, 4,388T of grinding alfalfa and 1,325T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15 pct protein 155.00-160.00; Sun Cured 17 pct 160.00-180.00; Dehydrated 17 pct 215.00. The average paid by feedlots on May 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 105.40, up 2.35 from last month, usage was 386T/day, up 6%, total usage was 11,585T. Southeast Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa, scarce: Horse and goat, small or mid square 165.00. Dairy alfalfa, Premium, 125.00; Good, Stock cow 100.00-125.00. Bluestem: Good, small squares 90.00 to mostly 100.00, mid and large squares 80.00-90.00, a little 100.00, large rounds 45.00-60.00. Brome: Small square Good 90.00-110.00, Good mid and large squares 85.00-100.00, Good large round 50.00-60.00, Fair large round 35.00-45.00. Northwest Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small squares 180.00-200.00, Mid squares 160.00-175.00; Dairy, Supreme 140.00-150.00; Premium 125.00-135.00; Good, 110.00-125.00; Good Stock cow 95.00-115.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 90.00-100.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 120,00-140,00. Straw, large bales 50.00. North Central-Northeast Dairy and grinding alfalfa, prairie hay and brome steady. Movement moderate. Alfalfa: Horse small square 185.00-200.00, Mid square 165.00-185.00; Dairy, Supreme 140.00-170.00; Premium 130.00-150.00, Good 95.00-135.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at edge of the field, 70.00-80.00, alfalfa ground-on-the-truck 80.00-100.00. Grass hay: Bluestem small square, Good 90.00-100.00, Mid square 75.00-90.00, large rounds 45.00-60.00. Brome: Good, small square, 90.00-110.00, Mid squares, 80.00-100.00, lg round, 50.00-60.00, fair Ig round 40.00-50.00. Straw small square 2.50-3.50/bale, large bales 45.00-60.00/T. USDA Market News, Dodge City, KS 620-227-8881

NEBRASKA HAY - 05/08/08 Hay sales were fully steady. Demand moderate to good and trade activity light to moderate. Pellet sales steady to 5.00 higher. Demand light to moderate as well as trade activity. Northeast NE: Alfalfa: Good-Premium Grass small square bales 115.00/ton Round bales 85.00/ton. Straw Large Square bales 60.00/ton. Ground and Delivered to feedlots 100.00-107.00. Dehydrated alfalfa pellets, 17 percent protein: 205.00. Platte Valley of NE: Alfalfa: Good Alfalfa Round Bales 75.00-80.00/ton, Ground and delivered to feedlots 105.00-110.00. Dehydrated alfalfa pellets, 17% protein: 200.00. USDA NE Kearney, Dept Market News, NE 308-237-7579 Ag http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/WH GR310.txt

**IOWA HAY** - Midwest Hay and Straw Co. Maurice, IA - May 6, 2008 Receipts: 10 Loads; Week Ago: 9 Loads; Year Ago: 20 Loads. All prices dollars per ton, except straw, dollars per bale. One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons; Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Alfalfa and grass hay sold with a higher undertone on a light test. Alfalfa: Small Squares, 1 load: Supreme 185.00. Large Squares, 2 loads: Premium 125.00-142.50. Large Rounds, 3 loads: Premium 120.00-145.00, Good 90.00. Mixed Alfalfa/Grass: Large Rounds, 1 load: Premium 120.00. Grass: Small Squares, 1 load: Premium 210.00. Large Rounds, 2 loads: Good 105.00-112.50. USDA-SD Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061. South-Central North-Central IA (Private treaty): 05/08/08 No new sales were reported. Inventories are extremely low. Demand was moderate to good. USDA NE Ag Market News, Kearney, NE (308) 237-7579. Rock Valley Auction 05/08/08 All prices per ton, except straw, per bale. All sales FOB Rock Valley, Iowa, vicinity. One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons. Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Receipts: 43 loads; Week Ago: 38 Loads; Year Ago: 47 Loads. All classes sold steady to firm. Alfalfa: Small Squares, 1 load: Premium 150.00. Large Squares, 5 loads: Premium 125.00-137.50, load 157.50. Large Rounds, 17 loads: Premium 120.00-140.00, load 145.00; Good 100.00-115.00. Grass: Small Squares, 3 loads: Premium 127.50-130.00, load 150.00. Large Rounds, 13 loads: Premium 125.00-145.00, Good 95.00-115.00. Bedding: Large Squares, 1 load: 50.00 per bale (record price for this location). Large Rounds, 1 load: 15.00 per bale. Cornstalks: Large Rounds, 1 load: 55.00 per ton. USDA-SD Dept Ag Market News Service, Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061

NEW MEXICO HAY - 05/09/08 Compared to last years first cutting, alfalfa prices are 20.00-30.00 a ton higher. Higher production costs and a good demand for high quality alfalfa are factors driving the higher prices. Late frosts on Alfalfa hay in Southern areas have affected first cutting yields, however quality of first cutting is very good. Southern and southwestern regions are 50-70% into first cutting. Eastern and southeastern regions are 10-20% into first cutting. Eastern and Southeastern regions received rain showers this week, along with some damaging hail, which put a damper on harvest. Eastern region: Baled Alfalfa: Large square bales: Premium and Supreme quality: 190.00-200.00, delivered to Dairies. Fair quality ground hay delivered to feedlots 132.00-135.00 per ton. Wheat hay 140.00 per ton delivered. **Southeastern regions:** Baled Alfalfa: Large square bales: Premium and Supreme quality 187.00-190.00 delivered. Premium quality small bales 200.00-215.00. Southern and Southwestern region: Baled Alfalfa: Large square bales Premium quality: 195.00-200.00, delivered to dairies. Small square bales Premium quality: 6.50-7.00 per bale out of field, 210.00-220.00 per ton delivered. Horse quality grass hay 6.00 per bale. http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/AL\_GR310.txt USDA Market News Service, Las Cruces, NM (505) 527-6861

NAT. WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE
http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/lm\_ct154.txt
USDA Market News, St. Joseph, MO 816-238-0678

SOUTHEAST HAY – 05/08/08 Movement and demand for hay and mulch has been light to moderate. Weather has been excellent this week for harvesting cool season hay. Volume and quality has been very good. Summer grasses have been slow to get going with the cool night time temperatures but nights should be staying in the 60 degree range for the next week. Old crop supplies are still available at the same prices. Prices are FOB producer barn unless otherwise stated. Approximate bale weights: Small Square 55 lbs; Small Round 1000 lbs; Large Rounds 1500 lbs. Tons FOB: 1,016.00; Last Week: 839.00; Year to Date FOB: 15,357.42; Last Week: 14,341.42.

TYPE, QUALITY	TONS	PRICE	WTD AVG				
Bahia Grass Dom	Bahia Grass Domestic Cattle Small Round/roll, 4x5						
Good	52	60.00	60.00				
Bahia Grass Hors	e Small square,	per bale					
Premium	4	6.00	6.00				
Bermuda Domest	ic Cattle Large R	d/roll, 5x5, 5x6					
Fair	15	40.00	40.00				
Bermuda Domest	ic Cattle Small R	ound/roll, 4x5					
Good	40	45.00-50.00	47.63				
Bermuda Horse L	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	i, 5x6					
Premium	47	70.00-80.00	72.34				
Bermuda Horse Small square, per bale							
Premium	224	5.00-7.00	5.95				
Good	1	5.00	5.00				
Fair	27	3.00	3.00				
Clover Horse Small Round/roll, 4x5							
Good	1	55.00	55.00				
Clover Horse Sma	all square, per ba						
Good	4	5.50	5.50				
Mixed Grass Mulo	• •	•					
Fair	425	2.25-3.75	3.29				
Rye Grass Horse Large Rd/roll, 5x5, 5x6							
Premium	15	60.00	60.00				
	Rye Grass Horse Small square, per bale						
Good	44	4.50	4.50				
Wheat Straw Mulc		-					
Fair	117	2.25-3.60	3.05				
AL Dept of A	Ag USDA - Montg	omery, AL 334-223	-7488				

VIRGINIA HAY — Rushville Semimonthly Hay Auction, Harrisonburg, VA on 5/07/08 Prices per ton FOB unless otherwise noted. Most loads delivered free within 10 miles of auction site. Delivery beyond 10 miles mostly 2.00 per mile.

Mixed Grass: Small square- Good-3.00-4.00/bale; Large round-Good-107.50-118.00. Straw: Small square-2.70/bale. Timothy: Small round-Fair-25.00/bale. Matua: Large square-180.00 new hay. USDA Market News Market News, Richmond, VA 804-786-3947 http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/RH GR310.txt

Alfalfa hay guidelines, used with visual appearances and intent of sale: Relative Feed Value (RFV); Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF); Crude Protein (CP) \*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. \*\*TDN calculated using the western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100 % dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%).

Quality	ADF	NDF	RFV	**TDN-100%	**TDN-90%	СР
Supreme	<27	<34	>185	>62	>55.9	>22
Premium	27-29	34-36	170-185	60.5-62	54.5-55.9	20-22
Good	29-32	36-40	150-170	58-60	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	32-35	40-44	130-150	56-58	50.5-52.5	16-18
Utility	>35	>44	<130	<56	<50.5	<16

COLORADO HAY - 05/08/08 Alfalfa and grass qualities remain mostly steady. Producers continue to work off of previous trades with most inventories liquidated. Trading activity very slow. Demand moderate. Several areas expecting a delay in first cutting between 1 to 2 weeks. An increase in new crop prices is projected partly due to a rise in fuel and other input costs coupled with a reduction of hay acres due to the conversion of hay acres to grain crops. Quoted prices are dollars per ton and FOB stack unless otherwise noted. FOB relates to prices of hay at the edge of field or at the stack. Delivered prices relate to final cost of hay delivered to user including freight to the dairy, feedlot, broker, auction, or ranch. Delivered prices include all transportation and handling fees, which vary based on distance of haul and other factors. Ground and delivered prices include cost of processing as well as delivery to the feedlot or Dairy. Prices are from the most recent sales. Northeast Areas Alfalfa: Supreme Large Bales 160.00, 200.00 Del. Premium Large Bales 140.00-150.00, 155.00-170.00 Del; Small Squares 185.00-215.00 (6.50 per bale). Good Large Bales 110.00-120.00, 140.00 Del; Small Squares 150.00-170.00 (4.00-5.00 per bale). Fair to Good Large Bales 120.00-125.00 Del. Fair Large Bales 105.00, 115.00 Del. Utility Large Bales 100.00-110.00 Del. Alfalfa/Grass Mix: Premium Small Squares 230.00-250.00 (6.50-7.50 per bale). Grass: Premium Large Bales 165.00 Del; Small Squares 220.00-245.00 (6.50-7.00 per bale), 265.00-270.00 Del (8.00 per bale). Fair to Good Large Bales 135.00-140.00 Del. Utility Large Bales 115.00 Del. Cornstalks: Large Bales 50.00-60.00, 65.00 Del. Southeast Areas Alfalfa: Supreme to Premium Large Bales 185.00; Premium Large Bales 150.00-160.00. Good Large Bales 120.00-130.00, 150.00 Del, Small Squares 150.00-155.00 (4.50-5.00/bale). Utility to Fair Large Bales 100.00, 110.00-115.00 Del. Utility 85.00-90.00. Ground and Delivered 155.00. Grass: Premium Small Squares 150.00-160.00(4.50-5.00 per bale). San Luis Valley Area Alfalfa: Premium Large Bales 160.00-170.00, Small Squares 215.00-245.00 (7.00-8.00 per bale). Good to Premium Large Bales 130.00. Good Large Bales 110.00-120.00. Fair Large Bales 100.00-110.00. Utility Large Bales 90.00-100.00. Alfalfa/Grass Mix: Premium Large Bales 160.00, Small Squares 180.00-200.00 (5.50-6.00 per bale). Good to Premium Large Bales 135.00. Grass: Premium Large Bales 150.00. Good to Premium Large Bales 135.00, Small Squares 180.00 (5.50 per bale). Good Large Bales 115.00-120.00. Utility Large Bales 100.00-105.00. Oat Hay: Large Bales 90.00-100.00, 140.00 Del. **Southwest Areas** Alfalfa: Premium Large Bales 150.00-160.00, Small Squares 255.00-290.00 (6.00-8.00 per bale). Good to Premium Small Squares 215.00 (7.00 per bale). Good Large Bales 130.00-140.00. Fair Large Bales 120.00, instances 145.00. Alfalfa/Grass Mix: Premium Large Bales 165.00, Small Squares 230.00-235.00 (7.00 per bale). Grass: Premium Small Squares 215.00-220.00 (6.50-7.00 per bale), Good Large Bales 145.00-150.00. Oat Hay: Large Bales 90.00. Mountains and Northwest Areas Grass: Premium Large Bales 150.00-160.00, instances 170.00. Small Squares 180.00-200.00 (5.00-5.50/bale). Good to Premium Large Bales 150.00-160.00. Good Small Squares 160.00-170.00 (5.00-5.50/bale). Fair Large Bales 120.00-125.00, Small Squares 150.00-175.00 (4.25-4.50/bale). Utility Large Bales 80.00-90.00. http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/GL GR310.txt USDA-CO Dept Market News Greely, CO 970-353-9750

# Mountain Area and Western U.S. Direct Sheep 05/09/08

Receipts: 18,430; Last Week: 2020. California Springer feeder lambs steady to 1.00 higher. Trading activity and Demand moderate. All of this supply was feeder lambs. Feeder lamb sales FOB with overnight stand or equivalent 3-4 percent shrink unless otherwise noted. Prices quoted per cwt. Current delivery unless otherwise noted.

Feeder Lambs Medium and Large 1-2

HeadWt RangeAvg WtPrice RangeAvg PriceDelivery18430100-145121.09105.00-107.00105.42Current FOBCA Springer overnight stand

USDA-CO Dept of Ag Market News, Greeley, CO 970-353-9750 www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/GL LS335.txt

Centennial Livestock Auction Co Monthly Hay Auction
Ft. Collins, CO - 04/26/08 Total Tons Offered: 1060; Last Month
847; Year Ago: 1027. Compared to last month: Alfalfa hay in sma
squares and large bales mostly steady to firm. Grass and Mixe
Alfalfa/Grass hay fully steady in all bale sizes. Demand moderate t
good, with best demand being for Premium and Supreme qualit
alfalfa in large squares and all types of hay in small squares. Trad
activity moderate. Excerpts - For the complete report, go to:
http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/GL_GR311.txt

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Quality	Tons	Price/bale	Price/ton	Wtd Avg
Alfalfa Small				
Supreme	14.92	5.25-9.00	190.91-250.00	232.87
Premium	37.83	4.00-5.50	145.45-186.44	158.33
Good	28.60	3.75-4.75	130.77-170.45	138.86
Fair	10.03	4.00-4.25	119.40-139.34	124.94
Utility	10.94	2.50-3.50	80.88-102.94	93.15
Alfalfa 3x3		2.00 0.00	00.00 .02.0 .	000
Premium	42.63	60.00-80.00	146.75-170.58	151.89
Good	69.76	42.50-65.00	116.92-130.67	123.46
Alfalfa 3x4	00.70	12.00 00.00	110.02 100.01	120.10
Good	69.59	45.00-85.00	108.48-122.83	115.03
Alfalfa 4x4	00.00	.0.00 00.00	100110 122100	1.10.00
Supreme	106.60	135.00-180.00	133.80-173.35	148.04
Premium	77.89	95.00-110.00	115.73-131.34	123.64
Good	104.40	70.00-92.50	102.34-120.92	111.41
Fair	15.15	50.00	92.42	92.42
Alfalfa Large		55.55	<u> </u>	, v==
Premium		62.50-90.00	120.24-147.68	124.15
Good	35.98	60.00-70.00	90.42-129.27	110.34
Fair	30.06	42.50-65.00	56.78-94.42	82.74
Utility	21.95	37.50-45.00	45.34-71.83	49.87
Mixed Alfalfa			40.04 7 1.00	40.07
Premium		4.50-6.75	204.55	204.55
Good	8.37	3.50-5.25	154.55-170.45	158.96
Fair		2.75-4.00	100.00-125.00	112.00
Utility	34.49	1.30-2.50	63.49-84.91	75.47
Mixed Alfalfa		1.50-2.50	03.43-04.31	13.41
Premium	20.76	47.50-52.50	123.54-136.54	125.46
Mixed Alfalfa		47.00 02.00	120.04 100.04	120.40
Premium		80.00-82.50	136.17-140.43	136.78
Good	54.50	75.00-77.50	127.66-132.59	129.22
Mixed Alfalfa		73.00-77.30	127.00-132.33	123.22
Premium	33.31	102.50-142.50	134.25-162.12	147.84
Mixed Alfalfa			104.20 102.12	147.04
Good	25.18	90.00	121.54	121.54
Grass Small		00.00	121.04	121.04
Premium	26.93	3.75-5.00	157.89-204.55	167.36
Good	21.74	3.50-4.50	138.89-166.67	156.54
Fair	16.17	3.00-3.25	106.56-141.30	116.79
Utility	35.61	1.80-2.50	80.00-108.70	94.16
Grass 3x3	00.01	1.00 2.00	00.00 100.70	04.10
Premium	39.50	50.00-65.00	127.71-161.89	139.96
Good	36.65	40.00-50.00	106.24-118.48	110.23
Grass 3x4	00.00	.0.00 00.00		1.10.20
Premium	72.29	70.00-92.50	127.25-142.46	131.73
Good	6.94	72.50	125.32	125.32
Fair	20.51	52.50-67.50	95.24-114.89	102.89
Grass Large		02.00 07.00	33.2	
Premium	6.96	52.50-65.00	128.83-158.54	151.17
Good	51.58	42.50-110.00	101.52-139.59	111.29
Fair	31.83	40.00-55.00	72.94-108.55	89.69
Straw				
Sm Squares	33.75	1.25-3.30	52.08-160.98	83.84
3x3	23.12	15.00-20.00	58.03-74.21	66.99
Corn Stalk		. 5.50 _5.00	55.00 . IIE I	1 20.00
4x4	24.63	40.00-42.50	55.79-74.43	61.61
Oat Hay		.0.00 12.00	333711.10	1 01101
4x4	66.33	57.50-64.00	72.74-99.83	87.63
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Biodiesel B100 (\$/gal)				
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lowa	4.99-5.20			
IL/IN/OH -	4.99-5.47			



Eastern Cornbelt Ethanol Plant Report 05/08/08					
Yellow Corn Bids	Change (¢/bu)	Basis	Change		
6.0125-6.1225 UF	17.25-UP 10.25	-29N to -1	BN UNCH	-DN 7	

Change (\$/ton) Dried Distillers Grain (10% Moisture) 170.00-186.00 UNCH-DN 4

Mostly 175.00-184.00

Offers

Modified Wet Distillers Grain (50-55% Moisture)

78.00-94.00 UNCH

Mostly 78.00-80.00

Wet Distillers Grain (65-70% Moisture) 45.00-65.00 UNCH

Mostly 60.00-65.00

Change (\$/gal) Ethanol W/E May 02 **ILLINOIS** 2.50-2.57 DN 0.04-DN 0.03

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# Iowa Ethanol Plant Report 05/09/08 Yellow Corn Bids Change (¢/bu) Basis Change

E 5.7125-5.9825 up 14.25-up 17.25 -59n to -32n dn 3-unch W 5.8025-6.0625 up 16.25-up 17.25 -50n to -24n dn 1-unch

> Offers Change (\$/ton)

Dried Distillers Grain (10% Moisture) E 170.00-175.00 **UNCH** W 168.00-175.00 UNCH

Modified Wet Distillers Grain (50-55% Moisture)

E 75.00-85.00 UNCH W 75.00-85.00 **UNCH** 

Wet Distillers Grain (65-70% Moisture) E & W 40.00-71.50 UNCH

**Fthanol** W/E May 09 Change (\$/gal) E&W 2.45-2.52 **UNCH** 

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#### Nebraska Ethanol Plant Report 05/09/08 Yellow Corn Bids Change (¢/bu) Basis Change

UP 17.25 -44N to -15N 5.8625-6.1525 UNCH mostly 5.8925-6.0725 -41N to -23N

> Offers Change (\$/ton)

Dried Distillers Grain (10% Moisture) 175.00-185.00 **UNCH** 

mostly 180.00-185.00

Modified Wet Distillers Grain (50-55% Moisture)

75.00-92.75 **UNCH** 

82.00-90.00 mostly

Wet Distillers Grain (65-70% Moisture)

55.00-78.00 **UNCH** 

64.00-70.00 mostly

Ethanol W/E May 09 Change (\$/gal) UNCH-UP 0.01 2.45-2.56

2.45-2.52 mostly

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# **Iowa Ethanol Corn and Co-Products Processing Values** This week Last week Last year

	Unit				08 May 11, 200
Ethanol tank cars & trucks lowa plants	\$/	gal	2.49	2.49	2.21
Ethanol yield per bushel processed	ç	gal	2.80	2.80	2.80
Value from bushel of corn	;	\$	6.96	6.96	6.17
Distillers Dried Grains, 10% moistu Iowa plants		ton	172.00	172.00	101.25
DDGS yield per bushel processed		lbs	17.75	17.75	17.75
Value from bushel of corn	;	\$	1.53	1.53	0.90
Value of ethanol ar DDGS from bushel of corn		\$	8.49	8.49	7.07
No. 2 Yellow Corn truck price IA points	\$,	/bu	5.89	5.75	3.27
Difference between corn price & value of co-products USDA Ma		\$ lews	2.60 s Des Mo	2.74 ines IA 51	3.81 <b>5-284-4460</b>

# Nebraska Ethanol Corn & Co-Products Processing Values This week Last week Last year

Unit May 9, 2008 May 2, 2008 May 11, 2007							
Ethanol tank cars & trucks Nebraska plants	\$/gal	2.49	2.48	2.16			
Ethanol yield per bushel processed	gal	2.80	2.80	2.80			
Value from bushel of corn	\$	6.96	6.93	6.03			
Distillers Wet Grains, 65% moisture Nebraska plants	\$/ton	67.00	66.00	47.75			
DWGS yield per bushel processed	lbs	49.00	49.00	49.00			
Value from bushel of corn	\$	1.64	1.62	1.17			
Value of ethanol and DWGS from bushel of corn	\$	8.60	8.55	7.20			
No. 2 Yellow Corn truck price NE points	\$/bu	5.98	5.86	3.45			
Difference between corn price & value of co-products USDA Market News D	\$ es Moin	2.62 <b>es IA 515</b>	2.68 - <b>284-4460</b>	3.76			

PLEASE NOTE: Corn is spot bid at selected Ethanol plants by State reporting as of 9:00 A.M. Distiller Grains with Solubles (DGS) FOB the plant. Ethanol is spot market, FOB the plant. Protein content 28-30% for most distiller grains - dry matter basis. Modified Wet Distillers Grain is a partially dried product. Wet Distillers Grain is a a non-dried product. Yellow Corn = US #2 Corn is spot bid at selected Ethanol plants as of 8:00 A.M. Distiller Grains with Solubles (DGS) is FOB the plant Ethanol is the spot market, FOB the plant. Prices quoted: corn dollars/bushel, DGS dollars/ton, ethanol dollars/gallon Chicago Board of Trade - month symbols: F January, G February, H March, J April, K May, M June, N July, Q August, U September, V October, X November, Z December; NA=not available, NC=No Comparison, Unch – Unchanged

# Northwest Direct Feeder Cattle WA-OR-ID 05/09/08

Feeder Cattle: 6,700; Last Week: 2,150; Year Ago: 4,000. Feeder cattle steady to 2.00 higher. Trade active with good demand. The feeder supply included 75 percent steers and 25 percent heifers. Near 53 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs. Prices are FOB weighing point with a 1-4 percent shrink or equivalent and with a 5-10 cent slide on calves and a 3-6 cent slide on yearlings. Delivered prices include freight, commissions and other expenses.

**Feeder Steers:** Medium and Large 1-2: FOB Prices: 700-750 lbs 100.00 ID; 800-850 lbs 94.00-100.00 ID-OR. Large 1-2: 950-1000 lbs 93.50 ID. Delivered Prices: 600-650 lbs 106.00 WA-OR; 800-850 lbs 99.00-102.00 lbs ID-WA-OR.

**Holstein Steers:** Large 2-3: FOB Prices: 300 lbs 75.00 May-Jun value added OR-ID-WA.

**Feeder Heifers:** Medium and Large 1-2: FOB Prices: 650-700 lbs 97.50 lD; 700-750 lbs 96.00 lD; 800-850 lbs 89.00-96.00 lD-OR. Delivered Prices: 600 lbs 99.00 WA-OR; 750-800 lbs 96.00 WA-OR.

**Replacement Heifers:** FOB Prices: Medium and Large 1-2: 700-800 lbs 99.00-99.50 ID; 750 lbs 750.00 per head ID. **USDA Market News, 509-765-3611** 

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCH. SETTLEMENT 05/08/08 Livestock Futures Settlements as of 2:44 pm (cst)					
Month	Settlement	Change			
	LIVE CATTLE				
June 08	93.65	+ 182 ½			
August 08	99.30	+ 167 ½			
October 08	105.75	+ 140			
FEEDER CATTLE					
May 08	106.77 ½	+ 105			
August 08	109.47 ½	+ 120			
September 08	110.90	+ 145			
LEAN HOGS					
May 08	79.37 ½	+ 150			
June 08	76.47 ½	+ 120			
July 08	77.10	+ 180			

March 2008- CALIFORNIA – Cubes Inbound Hay & Cubes by County & State				
Destination County	NV	UT	Total	
Glenn	24		24	
Kern		135	135	
Kings		20	20	
Lassen	14		14	
Los Angeles		652	652	
Merced	22		22	
Orange		68	68	
Plumas	1		1	
Riverside		46	46	
San Bernardino		48	48	
San Joaquin	214		214	
Sierra	1		1	
Sonoma	24		24	
Tulare		21	21	
Export		4,065	4,065	
TOTAL	300	5,055	5,355	

border stations - Benton, Blythe, Dorris, Long Valley, Meyers, Needles, Redwood Hwy, Truckee, Tulelake, Vidal, Winterhaven, Yermo

March 2008- CALIFORNIA - BALES Inbound Hay and Cubes by County & State							
<u>Inbour</u> Destination							
County	AZ	NV	UT	OR	ID	Other	Total
Alameda		26		450			26
Butte	4.40	104		153			257
Chino	140			40			140
Del Norte		534	897	40 27	89	24	40 1,571
Fresno		334	097	697	09	24	697
Glenn Humboldt				750			750
Imperial	171						171
Inyo		25					25
Kern	676	410	1,036		24	171	2,317
Kings	181	304	2,089	25		43	2,642
Lassen		80	20	375			475
Los Angeles	22	118	1,141	53		22	1,356
Madera				130	209		339
Marin		26		103			129
Mariposa		47					47
Merced		4,803	123	1,450	1,349	92	7,817
Modoc				112			112
Monterey						13	13
Napa	23			25			48
Nevada		158		27			185
Orange		26					26
Placer		162		78			240
Plumas	620	5	0.444			4.4	5
Riverside	630	50 872	2,144	25	209	22	2,868 1,128
Sacramento	71	012		25	209		71
San Benito San Bernardino	9,936	174	1,521			343	11,974
San Bernardino San Diego	223	54	13	51		040	341
San Joaquin		4,609		1,143	71		5,823
San Luis Obispo	47	9		,			56
Santa Barbara		49	48	78			175
Santa Clara						36	36
Shasta				366	2		368
Sierra		54					54
Siskiyou				182			182
Solano		2,662		1,117		24	3,803
Sonoma		625		3,186	211		4,022
Stanislaus	45	8,857	74	4,200	688		13,864
Tehama				291			291
Tulare	4,930	3,922	7,078	126	701	1,897	18,654
Yolo			4.00:	181			181
Export			4,834				4,834
Totals	17,095	28,765	21,018	14,991	3,553	2,731	88,153

National Feedstuffs Market Review

www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/MS GR850.txt
USDA Market News, Minneapolis, MN 651-451-1565

ILLINOIS HAY - 05/02/08 All hay prices quoted dollars per ton FOB the farm, small square bales unless otherwise noted. Straw quoted in dollars per bale and by the ton. This report was based on the sale of 2700 tons. The demand for hay was moderate, with moderate sales and prices were steady. While the first cutting has not been harvested in many cases, the alfalfa crop has started the season in good shape. According to the Illinois Weather and Crops report, alfalfa has placed 62% in the good to excellent category, with 31% fair and 7% very poor to poor condition. The red clover crop placed 74% in the good to excellent range, with 25% fair and only 1% poor. Many producers have planned to make their first cutting of alfalfa this week, but wet weather conditions have delayed those plans. Straw prices were mostly steady, with demand moderate. There was continued interest for livestock needs, with an increasing demand for mulch type straw. Northern: Hay trading was moderate with prices mostly steady. Demand was moderate with light to moderate supplies. Straw prices were steady, with moderate demand and moderate offerings. Premium alfalfa 160-180, 160-180 in big squares: Good alfalfa 140-160, 140-165 in big squares, 100-120 in big rounds; Fair alfalfa 120-140, 120-150 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Utility alfalfa 80-105, 100-120 in big squares. Premium Mix 160-180, 165-180 in big squares; Good Mix 140-160, 140-160 in big squares, 100-120 in big rounds; Fair Mix 120-140, 110-140 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Utility 80-100, 80-100 in big squares, 60-80 in big rounds. Premium Grass 160-180; 140-160 in big squares; Good Grass 120-140, 120-140 in big squares and 80-100 in big rounds; Fair grass 100-120, 100-120 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Utility 80-100, 110 for big squares and 75 in big rounds. Straw prices were 2.00-3.00 per bale in small squares, 100-120 per ton in small or big squares. Central: Hay sales were moderate with prices mostly steady. Demand was moderate with light to moderate offerings. Straw prices were mostly steady, with moderate demand and light to moderate offerings. Premium alfalfa 170-210, 160-185 in big squares, 130-150 in big rounds; Good Alfalfa 140-170, 140-165 in big squares, 120-130 in big rounds; Fair alfalfa 120-140, 80-100 in big rounds, 130-150 in big squares; Utility alfalfa 80-100, 100 in big squares, and 70-80 in big rounds. Premium Mix 160-190, 160-180 in big squares; Good Mix 140-160, 130-160 in big squares, 100-120 in big rounds; Fair Mix 120-140, 120-140 in big squares, 100-120 in big rounds; Utility Mix 80-100, 80-100 in big rounds. Premium Grass 140-170, 140-160 in big squares, 100-130 in big rounds; Good Grass 120-140, 120-150 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Fair Grass 100-120, 100 in big squares and 60-80 in big rounds; Utility 80, 80-100 in big squares, 50-65 in big rounds. Straw was steady to firm with moderate to good demand. Prices were 2.00-2.50 per bale, 50-60 for big rounds, 80-120 per ton in small and big squares. Southern: Producers reported hay trading was moderate with moderate demand and prices mostly steady. Supplies were light. Straw prices were mostly steady, with moderate demand and light to moderate offerings. Premium alfalfa was 200-225, 175-210 in big squares; Good alfalfa 180-200, 150-175 in big squares, 120-140 in big rounds; Fair Alfalfa 140-160, 130-150 big squares, 100-120 in big rounds; Utility Alfalfa 100-120, 100-120 in big squares and 60-80 in big rounds. Premium Mix 180-200, 160-180 big squares; Good Mix 160-180, 140-160 in big squares, 100-120 in big rounds; Fair Mix 120-140, 120-150 in big squares; Utility Mix 100-120, 70-90 in big rounds. Premium Grass 140-160, 135-160 in big squares and 105 in big rounds; Good Grass 120-140, 120-140 in big squares, 80-105 in big rounds; Fair Grass 100-120, 80-100 in big rounds, 100-120 in big squares; Utility Grass 80-100. Straw was 2.00-3.00 per bale; 90-120 per ton small and big squares and 50-60 for big rounds. USDA Market News, Springfield, IL 217-782-4925

Arthur Sale Barn Weekly Hay Report-Arthur, IL May 5, 2008 Hay sold .50 to 1.00 lower for comparable grades. Demand was good for all types of hay, with large buyer attendance. Offerings were lighter due to many hay producers busy with fieldwork. All prices are noted as dollars per bale. Receipts: 1135 bales - 33.99 tons; Last Week: 624 bales - 15.63 tons. For the complete report, go to: www.ams.usda.gov/mncs/mn\_reports/gx\_gr312.txt

Type, Quality	Tons	Per Bale	Wtd. Avg			
Alfalfa Small Squ	Alfalfa Small Squares					
Premium	7.35	7.50-8.50	7.69			
Good	11.12	6.25-7.00	6.87			
Utility	2.50	4.25	4.25			
Alfalfa-Orchard G	Alfalfa-Orchard Grass Mix Large Squares					
Premium	3.60	145.00-150.00	148.75			
Alfalfa-Orchard Grass Mix Small Squares						
Good	3.03	7.25-8.25	7.70			
Alfalfa-Grass Mix Large Squares						
Good	3.00	95.00	95.00			
Oat Straw Small Squares						
Fair	2.22	2.00-2.25	2.11			
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Hamilton's Madison Co. Ag Hay Auction-Bethalto, IL 4/05/08 \*\*This was the last auction until November 2008 www.ams.usda.gov/mncs/mn\_reports/gx\_gr313.txt

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United Producers Inc. Weekly Hay Auction-Shelbyville, IL 05/06/08 Demand was good for light offerings. All prices are for small square bales on a per bale basis. Receipts: 142 bales - 3.55 tons; Last Week: 22 bales - .55 tons.

Type, Quality	Tons	Per Bale	Wtd Avg Bale			
Alfalfa Small Squ	ares					
Good	1.20	7.50-8.00	7.75			
Mixed Grass Small Squares						
Good	2.35	5.00-6.00	5.57			

For the complete report, go to:

http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/GX GR311.txt
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#### **WEST CHEESE 05/07/08**

Cash block cheese prices at the CME were firm through Thur. of last week, but declined 2 cents on Fri. to stand at \$1.94. Prices have been above \$1.90 for 15 consecutive trading sessions. On Tue. of this week, prices again moved back up to \$1.96. Market participants indicate that when prices approach the \$2 mark there is more market resistance. Contacts also indicate that the higher prices and the strengthening dollar versus the Euro are slowing export inquiries. Domestic sales seem to be keeping pace with cheese output in the West. Demand and supply are generally staying in close balance. More buyers seem to be trying to source some additional cheese to increase their working stock level. They are not always successful in this endeavor. Cheese offerings are available, but no one is calling the offerings heavy. According to ERS, Commercial Disappearance of American and other cheese for the period of December 2007 to February 2008 on a daily average basis is up 3.9%. According to the NASS Dairy Products report, total cheese output in March is 834.3 million lbs, down 0.7% from last year. March production of both cheddar cheese and total Italian type cheese were below a year ago. March output of total cheese for the West is down 4.9% from last year with CA down 10.7%. Much of the CA decline can be attributed to the closing of a cheese plant at the end of the year. Swiss output in March was 25.7 million pounds, down 2.7% from last year for the U.S.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES: DELIVERED,

**DOLLARS PER POUND (1000 - 5000 POUNDS MIXED LOTS)** 

 Process 5# Loaf
 : 2.0475-2.3050

 Cheddar 40# Block
 : 2.0575-2.4100

 Cheddar 10# Cuts
 : 2.2450-2.4575

 Monterey Jack 10#
 : 2.2475-2.4075

 Grade A Swiss Cuts 6 - 9#
 : 2.9800-3.4200

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WYOMING, W. NEBRASKA & W. SO DAKOTA HAY -05/08/08 Prices steady. Trade and movement remain light. Demand moderate to good. Available supplies limited in most areas. Reports that a lot of alfalfa acres are being planted into corn or beans this spring. Eastern Wyoming and western Nebraska remain dry. All prices dollars per ton FOB stack in medium to large square bales and rounds, unless otherwise noted. Horse hay in small squares. Prices are from the most recent reported sales. Eastern WY New Crop: Alfalfa contract 119.00 plus .70 per point over 170 RFV; large squares 90.00. Old Crop: Alfalfa - Supreme 135.00-150.00; Premium 120.00-135.00; Good 110.00-120.00; Fair-Good 95.00-115.00, 115.00-120.00 delivered: Utility-Fair 90.00; ground and delivered 120.00-135.00. Grass - Premium small squares 140.00; 3x3 126.00. Dehydrated Alfalfa Pellets (17 percent protein) 179.00 delivered wholesale. Central and Western WY New Crop: Alfalfa contract first and second cuttings 95.00. Old Crop: Alfalfa - Supreme 120.00-130.00; Premium 110.00-125.00, small squares for horses 140.00-190.00 and 7.00/bale; Fair-Good 100.00-110.00; Fair 80.00-90.00. Alfalfa/Grass - Premium 90.00-110.00, 150.00-165.00 delivered; Good 70.00. Mixed Grass - Premium 110.00-120.00, 130.00-145.00 delivered. Oat Hay - Premium 110.00; Good 65.00-70.00. Sorghum Hay - 75.00. **Western NE** New Crop: Alfalfa contract 105.00-110.00; Supreme 150.00. Old Crop: Alfalfa -Supreme 130.00-150.00; Premium 115.00-120.00; Fair-Good 90.00-120.00; Fair 75.00-80.00 delivered; small squares for horses 150.00 and 6.00/bale; ground and delivered 105.00-130.00. Mixed Grass -Premium 95.00. Oat Hay - Premium 90.00; Good 75.00. Milo Hay 80.00. Wheat Straw 50.00. Western SD New Crop: Alfalfa contract 135.00 delivered. Old Crop: Alfalfa - Premium 90.00-110.00; Good 70.00-90.00, 105.00-130.00 delivered; Fair 60.00-70.00, 80.00-105.00 delivered. Alfalfa/Grass - Premium 80.00-110.00; Fair-Good 60.00-75.00. Oat Hay 60.00-75.00. Mixed Grass 80.00, 100.00 delivered. Brome Grass 75.00. USDA Market News, Torrington, WY 307-532-4146

Torrington, WY Video & Internet Hay Auction 3/28/08 573 Ton Hay Offered and Sold. All sales FOB the farm or ranch with no hay at auction site. Hay sold by the ton in semi load lots by video slide and on the internet. All hay has been tested with results available for each lot. Hay consignment from eastern WY and western NE. Demand good with active bidding on all hay. Good attendance at sale barn and bidding on the phone and internet was active.

Quality	4X4	3X4	3X3			
Good	163.00	121.00-143.00				
For the complete report, go to:						

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UTAH HAY - 05/02/08 No current report. Hay prices continue strong, with light trade. Trading was limited to movement on previous sales of Dairy quality hay. Lower quality hay demand is fairly strong, but light supplies. Confirmed sales on baled 2,120 tons. Cube prices strong on top quality export cubes. Trade moderate with demand moderate on top quality export cubes. Confirmed sales 400 tons. All prices are in dollars per ton, FOB at stack, unless otherwise noted. Bales large and small. Cubes all sales FOB slab, unless noted. Northern Area: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy: few 150.00-160.00, inst 180.00 Premium Dairy: 130.00-150.00; Good feeder: 100.00-125.00; Premium retail horse sales 125.00-180.00. Central Area: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy few 150.00-160.00, inst 180.00; Premium Dairy: 130.00-160.00; Good feeder: 100.00-125.00; Oat Hav: 135.00: Baled corn stocks: 100.00 Premium retail horse sales 125.00-180.00. Alfalfa Cubes: Premium export: 150.00-175.00. Southern Area: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy: 150.00-160.00, inst 180.00 Premium Dairy: 130.00-160.00; Good feeder: 100.00-125.00; Premium retail horse sales 125.00-180.00. Alfalfa Cubes: Premium export: 150.00-175.00. Uintah Basin: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy: 125.00-145.00; Premium dairy: 125.00-140.00; Premium retail horse sales 125.00-180.00. USDA - UT Ag Market News, Salt Lake City, UT 801-538-7107

SO. DAKOTA HAY - Midwest Hay and Straw Co. - Alcester, SD 05/03/08 Receipts: 6 Loads; Week Ago: 9 loads; Year Ago: 0 Loads. All prices dollars per ton, except straw, dollars per bale. One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons; Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Alfalfa and grass sold steady on a very light test. May 10 will be the last sale at this location until November 1. Alfalfa: Large Rounds, 3 loads: Premium 120.00-125.00. Mixed Alfalfa/Grass: Large Squares, 1 load: Good 100.00. Large Rounds, 1 load: Good 105.00. Grass: Large Rounds, 1 load: Fair 75.00. East River-5/09/08 All prices per ton, unless noted, FOB field or stack. Alfalfa and Grass hav sold steady. Straw mostly steady. Alfalfa Pellets steady. Rain continues to fall over the Dakotas keeping farmers behind spring work and off the planters. Alfalfa: Large Squares: Supreme RFV > 185 load 175.00; Premium RFV > 170-185, 135.00-160.00; Good RFV > 150, 90.00-110.00; Grinding Quality 90.00-100.00. Large Rounds: Premium 120.00-140.00; Good Grinding Quality 100.00-110.00: 90.00-100.00. Alfalfa/grass: Large Rounds: Good load 120.00. Grass: Large Squares: Fair 125.00; Large Rounds: Good 90.00-100.00, load 110.00. Straw: Large Rounds: 50.00-55.00. Pellets: Sun-cured Alfalfa: 17 pct 175.00; 15 pct 170.00. USDA Market News Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061

# NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT AFTERNOON HOGS 05/08/08

NEGOTIATED PURCHASE (Including Packer Sold)
Barrows & Gilts (carcass basis): 31,001
Compared to Prior Day's closing weighted average, .56 higher.
Base Price Range \$65.00 - \$81.76, Weighted Average \$77.32
Base Price is the price from which no discounts are subtracted and no premiums are added.
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USDA Market News Des Moines, Iowa 515-284-4460

# **SEATTLE Terminal Prices as of 09-MAY-2008**

**BLUEBERRIES:** MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flats 12 4.4-oz cups with lids CA med-lge 37.50-40.50 mostly 38.50-40.50 FL med-lge 37.50-40.50 mostly 38.50-40.50.

**MISC BERRIES:** OFFERINGS LIGHT. flats 12 6-oz cups with lids MX Blackberries 21.00-23.00 few higher/lower.

**RASPBERRIES:** OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. flats 12 6-oz cups with lids CA Red 34.00-39.00 few higher/lower MX Red 34.00-39.00 few higher/lower.

**STRAWBERRIES:** MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flats 8 1-lb containers with lids CA Ige 15.00-17.00 med-Ige 15.00-16.50 few higher .

**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 23.50-26.50 12s 23.50-26.50 HD 9s 23.50-26.50 12s 23.50-26.50.

**HONEYDEWS:** MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons/crates HD 5s 16.00-19.00 few higher/lower 6s 16.00-19.00 few higher/lower MX 5s 16.00-19.00 few higher/lower 6s 16.00-19.00 few higher/lower PN 5s 16.00-19.00 few higher/lower 6s 16.00-19.00 few higher/lower.

**WATERMELONS:** MARKET STEADY. cartons per lb MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s.33-.45 mostly .35-.42 6s .33-.45 mostly .35-.42 flat cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 18.00-20.00 24 inch bins per lb MX Red Flesh. Seedless Type approx 60 count .29-.36 mostly .30-.36. Fruit and Vegetable Market News, Federal - State Market News Service, USDA. (253) 852-0375



# SPOT COTTON QUOTATIONS

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